

## NHPWMA Board Members

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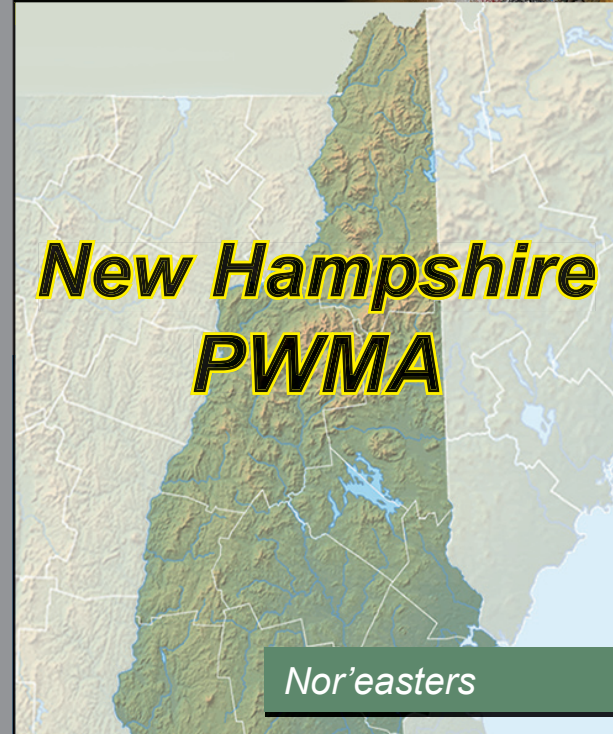


## Utilities Helping Utilities

New Hampshire Public Works Mutual Aid Program (NHPWMA)



# New Hampshire PWMA



Nor'easters

Ice Storms

Floods

Blizzards

Dam Breaches

Hurricanes

Intentional Damage







Storm

Flooding

Storm Cleanup

Flood Damage

Storm Damage

River Wash Out

## What is NHPWMA?

Disasters seldom strike within town limits and they often affect surrounding communities. Mutual aid allows members to help those most affected by the disaster. The NHPWMA program is a network of municipalities that assist one another during emergencies through partnering agreements and a protocol for requesting and receiving aid. Inventories are shared with each member of the program. In the aftermath of the 2005, 2006, and 2007 floods, the program helped numerous communities repair and restore damaged infrastructure. There are already approximately 100 members in the NHPWMA program. This includes access to trucks, graders, personnel, building inspectors, water and wastewater operators and many more resources.

## How Does it Work?

During emergencies, members can either contact other members directly, contact the NHPWMA program, use the pager (376-4453) or use pw.net. Providing aid is optional; the needs of your community always come first. Agreements are reciprocal; all members help each other.

## Who Can Participate?

**Authorized under RSA 53-A**

NHPWMA is currently available to municipalities and other governmental entities including village districts. Private water systems are currently not able to participate directly in the NHPWMA program but can sign separate agreements between specific systems (work is currently underway to address this issue). There is a minimal \$25 annual fee to participate in the program.

## What Are The Benefits of Joining NHPWMA?

- Reduces vulnerability of participating communities.
- Enables prompt and effective response.
- Provides for rapid and orderly rehabilitation of infrastructure.
- Allows access and exchange of specialized supplies, equipment, and personnel.
- NHPWMA does not require any disaster declaration to activate, which means utilities can request aid at almost any time (even for small scale events).
- In case of a federally declared emergency, it facilitates FEMA reimbursement since reimbursement is contingent upon a pre-existing, signed mutual aid and assistance agreement.

## How do I Join?

- 1) Sign the agreement form which can be found on the website and complete the appropriate inventory (for Public Works, Building Inspectors or Water/Wastewater Systems).
- 2) Make a \$25 check payable to Mutual Aid and mail with the agreement to the LGC:

New Hampshire Local Government Center  
25 Triangle Park Drive  
Concord, NH 03301

- 3) Send a copy of the agreement & inventory to:

UNH Technology Transfer Center  
33 College Road  
Durham, NH 03824

- 4) UNH T<sup>2</sup> Center will send a confirmation of inventory for approval before it is posted on-line.

*This program is approved by the New Hampshire Attorney General.*